The Hongkong Telegraph.

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Banks.

RULES OF THE HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK.

1.—THE BUSINESS of the above BANK will be conducted by the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION, on their premises in Hongkong. Business Hours on WEEK-DAYS, 10 to 3; SATURDAYS, 10 to 1.

2.—SUMS LESS THAN $1, or MORE THAN $250 at one time will not be received. No Depositor may deposit more than $2,500 in any one year.

3.—DEPOSITORS in the SAVINGS BANK, having $100, or more, at their credit may at their option transfer the same to the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION on fixed deposit for 12 months at 5 per cent. per annum interest.

4.—INTEREST at the rate of 3½ % per annum will be allowed to Depositors on their daily balances.

5.—EACH DEPOSITOR will be supplied gratis with a PASS-BOOK, which must be presented with each payment or withdrawal. Depositors must not make any entries themselves in their PASS-BOOKS, but should send them to be written up at least twice a year, about the beginning of January and beginning of July.

6.—CORRESPONDENCE as to the Business of the Bank, if marked ON HONGKONG SAVINGS BANK BUSINESS, will be forwarded free by the various British Post Offices in Hongkong and China.

7.—WITHDRAWALS may be made on demand, but the personal attendance of the Depositor or his duly appointed Agent, and the production of his PASS-BOOK, are necessary.

FOR THE HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION,
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager

Hongkong, 1st September, 1887. [9

THE NEW ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, LIMITED.

AUTHORISED CAPITAL£2,000,000.
PAID-UP CAPITAL 500,000.

Registered Office, 40, THREADNEEDLE STREET, LONDON.

BRANCHES IN INDIA, CHINA, JAPAN AND THE COLONIES.

THE BANK receives MONEY ON DEPOSIT, Buys and Sells BILLS OF EXCHANGE, ISSUES LETTERS OF CREDIT, forwards BILLS for COLLECTION, and Transacts Banking and Agency Business generally, on terms to be had on application.

INTEREST ALLOWED ON DEPOSITS:
Fixed for 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum.
" 6 " 4 " "
" 3 " 3 " "
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNTS 2 per Cent. per Annum on the Daily Balance.

APPROVED CLAIMS on the ORIENTAL BANK CORPORATION, in Liquidation, or the BALANCES of such claims, purchased on advantageous terms.

AGENCY OF THE NATIONAL LIFE ASSURANCE SOCIETY.
E. W. RUTTER,
Manager.
10] HONGKONG BRANCH.

HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION.

PAID-UP CAPITAL$7,500,000.
RESERVE FUND 4,000,000.
RESERVE LIABILITY OF PROPRIETORS 7,500,000.

COURT OF DIRECTORS:—
CHAIRMAN—Hon. JOHN BELL-IRVING.
DEPUTY CHAIRMAN—W. H. FORBES, Esq.

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HONGKONG—THOMAS JACKSON, Esq.
MANAGER.
SHANGHAI—EWEN CAMERON, Esq.
LONDON BANKERS—LONDON AND COUNTY BANK.

HONGKONG—INTEREST ALLOWED.
ON CURRENT DEPOSIT ACCOUNT at the rate of 2 per cent. per Annum on the daily balance.
ON FIXED DEPOSITS:—
For 3 months, 3 per Cent. per Annum,
For 6 months, 4 per Cent. per Annum,
For 12 months, 5 per Cent. per Annum,
LOCAL BILLS DISCOUNTED.
CREDITS granted on approved Securities, and every description of BANKING and EXCHANGE business transacted.
DRAFTS granted on London, and the chief commercial places in Europe, India, Australia, America, China and Japan.
T. JACKSON,
Chief Manager.

Hongkong, 4th September, 1888. [8

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA DOCK COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS are respectfully informed that, if upon their arrival in this HARBOUR none of the COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand, ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found necessary, communication with the Undersigned is requested, when immediate steps will be taken to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 24th August, 1888. [95

Intimations.

ROBERT LANG & CO.,

TAILORS, HATTERS, SHIRTMAKERS, AND GENERAL OUTFITTERS.

NEW GOODS.

TALL SILK HATS.
Drab Felt Hats.
Black, Brown Drab and Grey Hard Felt Hats.
Teral and other Soft Felts.
Tweed Hats and Caps in New Shapes.
Straw Hats and Pith Hats.
Silk Umbrellas from $5 each, over 100 to choose from.
A large assortment of Walking Sticks.
Waterproof Coats, Leggings & Chair Aprons.
Travelling Rugs and Scotch Mauds.

Over Coatings, Light & Heavy.
Ulster Tweeds.
Fine Black Diagonal & Cork-screw for Dress Suits.
Black, Blue and Brown Fancy and Diagonal Coatings.
Fancy & Check Tweed Suitings.
Trouserings in great variety of Stripes, Checks and Plain.
Cricketing Flannel, Stripes, Checks and Plain.
White and Fancy Vestings.
French Printed Shirtings.
Unshrinkable Flannel.
Ready Made Ulsters in Stock.
Solid Leather Portmanteaus.

Overland Trunks, Gladstone Bags, and a variety of Travelling Cases, all sizes.
Winter, Medium and Summer Under Vests and Pants.
Silk Half-Hose, Black, Navy and Colors.
Lamb's Wool Merino and Lisle Thread Half-Hose.
White Dress Shirts.
Lacing & Elastic-side Walking Boots and Shoes.
Shooting Boots, Rubber Boots.
Patent Leather Boots & Shoes.
Dancing Pumps, all sizes.
Large Stock of Scarfs, Ties, Handkerchiefs, Braces, &c.

ROBT. LANG & CO.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1888. [91

KELLY & WALSH, LD.

ARE NOW SHOWING A SPLENDID ASSORTMENT OF

CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S CARDS.

PRANG'S HANDSOME AMERICAN SACHETS, PERFUME BAGS and ART PANELS.
WATER COLOUR TABLETS specially painted for us by CHINESE ARTISTS, with characteristic Chinese Greetings in English and Chinese.
PIDGIN ENGLISH SING SONG RICE PICTURES.
MINIATURE JAPANESE KAKEMONOS, and Japanese Hand Painted Cards.
PHOTOS of HONGKONG SCENERY Mounted and Unmounted, with the Season's Greetings.
A very large collection of ENGLISH CARDS, produced in the best style of CHROMO LITHOGRAPHY.
JAPANESE FAIRY TALES, translated into English, printed in Japan on Crape Paper and quaintly illustrated.

KELLY & WALSH, LIMITED,
QUEEN'S ROAD CENTRAL, HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 9th November, 1888. [7

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

HAVE RECEIVED THEIR FIRST SHIPMENTS OF
CHRISTMAS DELICACIES.

NEW SEASON'S PUDDING FRUITS in Bulk. Sultana and Pudding Raisins, Zante Currants, Peels, &c.

— SMYRNA FIGS. —

Shell Almonds, Brazil and Barcelona Nuts, Prime Ripe Stilton Cheese in jars.
Canadian, Edam, Rochfort, Gorgonzola and Stilton Cheese.

CONFECTIONERY.
Fondants, Dragees, Fruit Pates, Pastilles, Nougatines, Legumes, &c., &c.
CHOCOLATE CREAMS,
Butterscotch, Cocoanut Ice, Everton Toffee, Lemon Toffee, Turkish Delight.
COSAQUES and BONBONS.

LANE, CRAWFORD & CO.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1888. [1075

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY, LIMITED.

GENTLEMEN'S OUTFITTING DEPARTMENT.

JUST UNPACKED.

LONG CLOTH SHIRTS, LONG CLOTH DRESS SHIRTS,
LINEN COLLARS, New Shapes, LINEN CUFFS,
A splendid Assortment of SCARFS and TIES,
WHITE DRESS TIES, WHITE DRESS BOWS,
BLACK SILK SOCKS, DANCING PUMPS,
WHITE KID GLOVES, LAVENDER KID GLOVES,
LINEN POCKET HANDKERCHIEFS, BRACES,
ROWING and FOOTBALL JERSEYS, CARDIGAN JACKETS,
SILK UMBRELLAS, WATERPROOF COATS,
MERINO, CASHMERE, COTTON WOOL and LISLE THREAD SOCKS
MERINO UNDER SHIRTS and PANTS,
SILK and WOOL UNDER SHIRTS and PANTS,
LAMBS WOOL UNDER SHIRTS and PANTS,
FELT HATS IN ALL THE NEWEST SHAPES, and COLORS,
TURKISH TOWELS, BATH BLANKETS, etc., etc.

THE HALL & HOLTZ CO-OPERATIVE COMPANY LTD

Hongkong, 26th November, 1888. [919

W. BREWER'S

HAS JUST RECEIVED,

Christmas No. Graphic with 2 Coloured Plates, 40c.
" " Illustrated " "
" " Yule Tide " "
Boy's Own Annual, 1889.
Every Boy's " "
Girl's Own " "
Hopwood & Cren's Christmas Dance Album.
Tit's " " "
Metzler's " " "
New Dance Music, New Songs.
Association Footballs, A 1 at Boxing Gloves.
Rugby " Champion Tennis Balls.
A very fine lot of New Parisian Fancy Goods of very novel designs.
A large quantity of New Cheap Literature.
Sir Morrell Mackenzie's Diary.
The Emperor Frederick's Diary and Bismarck's Rejoinder.
Mr. Caine's Trip Round the World.
The Christmas Fine Art Gift Book "Madame Chrysantheme" with 199 Steel Illustrations.
A quantity of New Fine Art Children's Books.
New French Mechanical Toys and many useful and pleasing Toys for Children of all ages.
A large selection of A.B.C. and Building Blocks.
Fine Quality Leather Goods consisting of Pocket Books, Card Cases, Gents' Companions, Cigar and Cigarette Cases, Photo Albums, &c., &c.
New Season Bon Bons.
Men's Shoes and Dancing Pumps, Ladies' and Children's Shoes.

W. BREWER,
UNDER HONGKONG HOTEL.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1888. [949

Consignees.

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "PREUSSEN,"
FROM BREMEN AND PORTS OF CALL.

THE above named Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby informed that their Goods, with the exception of Opium, Treasure and Valuables, are being landed and stored at their risk into the Godowns of the Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company, Limited, Kowloon, whence delivery may be obtained.

Optional Cargo will be landed here in Hongkong unless notice to the contrary be given before 11 A.M., TO-MORROW, the 29th instant.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Godowns, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 5th December, will be subject to rent.

All broken, chafed, and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godowns, where they will be examined on WEDNESDAY, the 12th instant, at 4 P.M.

All Claims must reach us before the 13th inst., or they will not be recognised.

No Fire Insurance has been effected.

Bills of Lading will be countersigned by
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 28th November, 188 . [4

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

STEAMSHIP "PARTHIA,"
FROM VANCOUVER, YOKOHAMA, AND KOBE.

THE above Steamer having arrived, Consignees of Cargo are hereby requested to send in their Bills of Lading for Counter-signature, and take immediate delivery of their Goods from alongside.

Cargo impeding the discharge of the Vessel will be landed and stored at Consignees' risk and expense.

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1888. [36

Shipping.

STEAMERS.

FOR SHANGHAI.

THE Steamship

"AMOY,"

Captain R. Köhler, will be despatched for the above Port, TO-MORROW, the 1st December, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
SIEMSSEN & Co.

Hongkong, 29th November, 1888. [1206

THE CHINA AND MANILA STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR MANILA, VIA AMOY.

THE Company's Steamship

"ZAFIRO,"

Captain McCaslin, will be despatched for the above Ports, TO-MORROW, the 1st December, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1888. [1203

EASTERN AND AUSTRALIAN STEAMSHIP COMPANY, LIMITED.

FOR SYDNEY, MELBOURNE AND ADELAIDE.

(Calling at PORT DARWIN and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo to NEW ZEALAND, TASMANIA, &c.

THE Steamship

"TANNADICE,"

Captain Shannon, will be despatched for the above Ports, on SUNDAY, the 2nd proximo, at DAYLIGHT.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1888. [1167

FOR SINGAPORE (DIRECT).

THE Steamship

"DEUTEROS,"

Captain Iwersen, will be despatched for the above Port, on MONDAY, the 3rd December, at 4 P.M.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
AH YON & Co.

Hongkong, 27th November, 1888. [1204

THE "GIBB" LINE.

FOR SYDNEY AND MELBOURNE.

Calling at SINGAPORE, JAVA, PORT DARWIN, and QUEENSLAND PORTS, and taking through Cargo for ADELAIDE, TASMANIA, NEW ZEALAND, &c.

THE British Steamer

"PATHAN,"

Captain Golding, will be despatched as above, on or about the 5th proximo.

Attention is directed to this Steamer's comfortable Saloon and State Rooms, affording excellent Accommodation for First Class Passengers.

Fare to Sydney or Melbourne $150.

For Freight or Passage, apply to
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Managers.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1888. [1190

STEAM TO YOKOHAMA, VIA NAGASAKI AND KOBE.

(PASSING THROUGH THE INLAND SEA.)

THE P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Steamship

"VERONA"

will leave for the above places on SUNDAY, the 9th December, at DAYLIGHT.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1888. [3

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Bark

"H. G. JOHNSON,"

Colby, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
RUSSELL & Co.

Hongkong, 3rd November, 1888. [1157

Shipping.

SAILING VESSELS.

FOR LONDON (DIRECT).

THE A. 1. British Bark

"WILLIAM MANSON,"

H. Kindred, Master, will load here, for the above Port, and will have a quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1888. [1192

FOR LONDON (DIRECT).

THE A. 1. British Bark

"ARCADIA,"

D. S. Eward, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 14th November, 1888. [1157

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship

"DANIEL BARNES,"

Storer, Master, shortly expected, will load here, for the above Port, and will have a quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 23rd November, 1888. [1193

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. Norwegian Bark

"ISABEL,"

Howe, Master, shortly expected, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1888. [1033

FOR NEW YORK.

THE 3/3 L. I. I. American Ship

"RAPHAEL,"

Harkness, Master, will load here for the above Port, and will have quick despatch.

For Freight, apply to
PUSTAU & Co.

Hongkong, 13th October, 1888. [1034

Mails.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN, PORT SAID, MARSEILLES, MALTA, GIBRALTAR, BRINDISI, PLYMOUTH, AND LONDON;
ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN, GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAMBURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship "THAMES," Captain W. A. Seaton, R.N.R., with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched from this for LONDON, VIA BOMBAY and SUEZ CANAL, on WEDNESDAY, the 5th December, at NOON.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M. Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until 4 P.M., on the day before sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be transhipped at Colombo; Tea and General Cargo for London will be conveyed via Bombay without transhipment, arriving one week later than by the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and PASSAGE apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hongkong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are required to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are particularly requested to note the terms and conditions of the Company's Black Bills of Lading.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Hongkong, 24th November, 1888. [3

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES, MEXICO, CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND EUROPE;
VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"ARABIC"

will be despatched for San Francisco, *vid* Yokohama, on WEDNESDAY, the 19th December, at 3 P.M.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCEL PACKAGES should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received at the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco.....$200.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months..... 350.00
To Liverpool..... 325.00
To London..... 330.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to the Collector of Customs, San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage or Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 26th November, 1888. [0

Mails.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVERLAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CITY OF PEKING"

will be despatched for San Francisco, *vid* Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 8th December, at THREE P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for transportation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports, to San Francisco, and Atlantic and Inland Cities of the United States, via Overland Railways, to Havana, Trinidad, and Demerara, and to ports in Mexico, Central and South America, by the Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco.....$200.00
To San Francisco and return, available for 6 months..... 350.00
To Liverpool..... 325.00
To London..... 330.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Passengers by this line have the option of proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embarking at San Francisco for China or Japan (or *vice versa*) within one year will be allowed a discount of 10 per cent. *This allowance does not apply to through fares from China and Japan to Europe.*

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. the day previous to sailing, Parcel Packages will be received at the Office until 5 P.M. same day; all Parcel Packages should be marked to address in full; value of same is required.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points beyond San Francisco, in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices in Sealed Envelopes, addressed to the Collector of Customs at San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage and Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company, No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

Hongkong, 17th November, 1888. [8

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO JAPAN, CANADA, THE UNITED STATES AND EUROPE,
VIA
THE CANADIAN PACIFIC RAILWAY
AND OTHER CONNECTING
RAILWAY LINES & STEAMERS.

THE British Steamship

"PARTHIA,"

3,167 Tons Register, Wallace, Commander, will be despatched for VANCOUVER, B.C., *vid* KOBE and YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 13th December, at THREE P.M.

To be followed by the S.S. "ABYSSINIA" on 10th January and S.S. "BATAVIA" on 7th February.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports, and at Vancouver with San Francisco by the regular Steamers of the Pacific Coast Steamship Company and other Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England, France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines of Steamers.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To Vancouver and Victoria...(Mex.)$160.00
To San Francisco..... 175.00
To all Common Points in Canada and the United States..... 230.00
To Liverpool..... 300.00
To London..... 305.00

To other European Points at proportionate rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the Imperial Chinese and Japanese Customs, to be obtained on application.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo destined to Points in the United States, should be sent to the Company's Offices, addressed to Mr. D. E. BROWN, District Freight Agent, Vancouver, B.C.

Freight will be received on board until 4 P.M. on the 12th December.

All Parcels must be sent to our Office and should be marked to address in full; and the same will be received by us until 5 P.M. the day previous to sailing.

For information as to Passage or Freight, apply to
ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 15th November, 1888. [36

NORDDEUTSCHER LLOYD.

NOTICE.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ, PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA, ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG, PORTS IN THE LEVANT, BLACK SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;
ALSO,
LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON, BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS, GALVESTON, AND SOUTH AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS AND LUGGAGE.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills of Lading for the principal places in RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 23rd day of December, 1888, at 10 A.M., the Company's Steamship "PREUSSEN," Captain O. Pohle, with MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO, will leave this Port as above, Calling at GENOA.

Shipping Orders will be granted till Noon. Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M., Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on the 22nd December, 1888. (Parcels are not to be sent on board; they must be left at the AGENT'S OFFICE). Contents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid accommodation and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to
MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 24th November, 1888. [4

Intimations.

A. S. WATSON & CO., LTD.

WE HAVE NOW IN STOCK THE FOLLOWING

CIGARS:

MARIA CRISTINAS,
" " Londres.
" " Leoneses.
PERLA DEL ORIENTE, Londres.
" " " Damas.
" " " Señoritas.

NUEVO HABANO in 500 and 100 Boxes.
do. do. do. 2nd.
NUEVO CORTADOS in 500 and 100 Boxes,
do. do. do 2nd.

Flor de la Isabela, Princesas, Entractos, Orientales and Isabelas.

Imperiales, Cazadores, Imperiales, Exceptionales Prensados, Principes, Cortaditos, Señoritas, Marquesitos, Flor de Prensados, Paquitos, Regalia Britanica, Regalia Inglesa, Chiquitos, Brevitos, and BOUQUETS DE WATSON.

SWEET CAPORAL and OLD JUDGE CIGARETTES.

A. S. WATSON & Co., Ltd.
THE HONGKONG DISPENSARY,
Hongkong, 29th October, 1888. [5

The Hongkong Telegraph

HONGKONG, FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 1888.

TELEGRAMS.

(Reuter.)

THE EGYPTIAN DIFFICULTY.

LONDON, November, 28th.

The 2nd battalion King's own Borderers and the Mounted Infantry have been ordered to proceed immediately to Suakin.

(From *Straits Times*.)

FRANCE.

PARIS, November 17th.

The Committee on the Revision of the Constitution has decided in favor of the Abolition of the Senate and the Presidency of the Republic.

THE POPE AND IRELAND.

LONDON, November 18th.

A fresh Papal Rescript orders the Irish priests to preach against Boycotting and the Plan of Campaign.

GERMANY.

The Empress Frederick and her daughters have started for England.

Two French Newspaper Correspondents have been expelled from Germany for writing articles obnoxious to the Court.

RUSSIA.

An Order of the Czar increasing the infantry in the Army Corps on the Western frontier to two divisions each has been officially explained as due to the abolition of Charkoff as a Military district.

PARLIAMENTARY NEWS.

November 21st.

Mr. Balfour introduced a bill in the House of Commons asking for five millions sterling for the extension of land purchase in Ireland.

Mr. Gladstone opposed this with a bill dealing with arrears, but Mr. Gladstone's proposal was rejected by 330 against 246.

The majority included the Unionists and two Separatists.

Mr. Balfour's bill was read a first time.

THE WHITECHAPEL MURDERS.

November 22nd.

Another woman was attacked in Whitechapel last night Wednesday, but her throat was only slightly cut, the assassin escaping. His appearance is known, but his connection with the previous murders is considered improbable.

LOCAL AND GENERAL.

A KOWLOON man got three months this morning, for keeping a Tsz-sa lottery there.

WE hear that Mr. C. B. Clark has resigned his situation of Surveyor to the Municipal Council of Shanghai.

AN alarm of fire was raised late this afternoon, the chimney of a house in Jervoise Street being observed smoking. The Brigades mustered, but did not turn out, a Chinaman having put the conflagration out with a little water.

THE second mate of the *Meefoo*—McIntosh by name—was this morning cited to appear at the Court by the Hongkong Hotel Mac, for making a row in the hotel. Neither party appeared, so likely the marine McIntosh had made it all right.

WE read that the Chinese coolies lately imported from Singapore to Batavia for labour purposes have aroused such antagonistic feelings by competing with the native labourers; that collisions between them have been frequent. The Chinese will in consequence be sent back to Singapore.

THE editor of the Spring Green (Wis.) *Home News* is a man of candour. Here is his position in politics: "We will vote for James Morgan Governor because he advertises in this paper; if Hoard will advertise in it we will vote for him, too. This is political economy." The *China Mail* is a bit of an authority on this kind of policy.

THE *Straits Times* reports the Dutch barque *Bertha*, Captain Pahuke, from Rotterdam to Batavia, with a general cargo and a small quantity of coal, was burned and abandoned on the 9th instant, outside of Sunda Straits. The captain, officers and crew were picked up early on the morning of the 13th inst., some distance below Fourth Point, by the Dutch ship *Johanna*, and taken to Bathvia.

AN Emergency meeting of St. John Lodge, No 618, S.C., will be held in Freemasons' Hall, Zetland Street, on Friday, the 7th proximo, at 8.30 for 9 p.m. precisely. Visiting brethren are cordially invited.

THE *N. C. Daily News* learns from the *Rising Sun* that the four Japanese principally concerned in causing the death of the French sailor at Nagasaki on the 16th ultimo have, after trial, been sentenced to from three months' imprisonment to six years' hard labour.

BY kind permission of Colonel D. G. Anderson, the Regimental Band will play in the Public Gardens, on Sunday, the 2nd prox., from 3.30 till 5 p.m. The following will be the programme:—

March	"Merry Monarch"	Scholes.
Overture	"La Lac des Fées"	Auber.
Valse	"Ver Luisant"	Wotton.
Selection	"Rem. of Offenbach"	Conradi.
Valse	"Silver Moonlight"	Smith.
Selection	"Mikado"	Sullivan.
Valse	"Maid of the Mill"	Liddell.

JOHN MORAN, Bandmaster.

ON the night of the 19th inst. three men entered the house No. 28, Circular Pathway, where some women lived, and after threatening them with revolvers and daggers despoiled them of their bangles and earrings, worth about fifty taels. They locked the door behind them to prevent pursuit, and afterwards melted their plunder. One, a hawker, was caught, and incriminated two other men, but these were discharged, he being committed for trial this morning.

THE N. C. *Daily News* is glad to know that the audience question has been amicably settled in Corea, Mr. Colin M. Ford, H.M.'s Consul-General, having been duly received by the King a short time since. It is well known that Mr. Denny had nothing whatever to with the previous *contretemps*, and there is good reason to believe that it was Mr. Yuen, the Chinese Resident, who endeavoured to have the discourtesy shewn attributed to Mr. Denny.

THE *Strait Times* of the 21st inst. says:—Yesterday afternoon it was feared that the injury to Mr. Sugden was a very serious kind, and there was a consultation of four doctors; but Mr. Sugden has passed a good night, and is likely to mend in the usual course. The injury is a compound dislocation of the ankle—a very nasty thing indeed. It appears that the accident happened while Mr. Sugden, on the polo ground, was trying to vault off *Lady Clementina*, in order to adjust the bit.

THE unspeakable Turk turned up strong at the Police Court this morning. Two of him got fighting in a Chinese crockery store in Lascar Row last evening, and if we only felt in the vein we might be very funny about it. Might say something about the Turkey in the China shop (*Double entendre*, "China"). However. The store-keeper thought they had broken $1.80 worth of his stock, and they thought they hadn't, so they refused to pay the damage. This proved to be a short-sighted policy, as they were fined $1 each, instead, which was twenty cents more.

THE Eastern Shan States, according to Burmese papers, appears to have numerous tigers. One, a man-eater, was recently killed by a party consisting of Mr. J. G. Scott and two sepoys whilst munching the shoulder of a poor girl not twenty yards from the town. He measured between 9 and 10 feet, and was said, during his lifetime, to have killed between 50 and 60 people. He received the *coup de grace* from Mr. J. G. Scott's rifle. Fortunately very few of the numerous tigers about appear to be man eaters, but in the Eastern states villages are fortified against them and they are more dreaded than dacoits.

WE are obliged to "Tommy Atkins" for his letter defending the conduct of soldiers at the Theatre, but consider that its publication is unnecessary and would probably do more harm than good. The behaviour of our military friends, in our opinion, requires no defence. So far as our observation has gone, and we are regular attendants at the City Hall on "show" nights, the misconduct, when anything of the kind has occurred, has been on the part of those who consider themselves of a far more exalted social rank than the rank and file of the Garrison. However, our correspondent "Tommy Atkins" touches upon a theme which has already attracted our attention, and with which we proposed dealing at an early date. Mr. Atkins refers—very modestly and becomingly we must admit—to the "remarkably low evening dresses" which for some time past have been very conspicuous in the stalls of the Theatre Royal, and suggests that the wearers of these no doubt fashionable but wofully scanty costumes would feel slighted were they not received with a certain amount of enthusiasm on their exits and entrances. Perhaps he is right, although we must confess that we are unable to see any particular cause for enthusiasm—or for any other feeling but contempt—in seeing *women* publicly exhibiting themselves practically naked down to their waists. It has been the fashion for some considerable time past in select circles at home for ladies (*?*) to appear at dances and other society functions with nothing but a pair of shoulder straps supporting their skirts, and leaving just as little as possible of their personal charms to the imagination; but so far that *custom has not become general*, except in most exceptional cases, in Hongkong. And we venture to say that the City Hall Theatre is about the last place in the colony where such flagrant indecency should be tolerated. In the public street the woman who appeared in the same state of semi-nudity that has been common in the City Hall during the present season would be at once "run in" for indecent exposure, and she would only get her deserts. We have always advocated the rights of the demi-mondo to seats at theatrical performances, so long as their behaviour left no reason for complaint. No well founded complaint has ever reached us, but we are bound to admit that we have lately felt sorry—not from any particular feelings of personal modesty but on grounds of public decency—at seeing dresses which may have been eminently fitted for a lady's boudoir but were strangely out of place at an *operatic* performance in this colony. We trust this well intended hint will be taken in good part and promptly acted upon. Every possible liberty is allowed these unfortunate outcasts from society, and we are not asking too much in insisting on their paying strict regard in public places to the proprieties.

THE *Java Bode* deems that the British protectorate in North Borneo will prove a benefit to that promising field for industrial and planting enterprise, where so many Netherlanders are now trying their fortunes.

THE appeal of Mr. Kelly, M.P., against the sentence of four months' imprisonment pronounced upon him by Messrs. Heron and Smyth, resident magistrates, for taking part in an illegal meeting in Boyle on the 24th of June last in furtherance of an unlawful conspiracy to defeat the ends of justice and prevent the administration of the law, came before Mr. O'Connor Morris, County Court Judge of Roscommon, on October 27th, Mr. Carson appeared for the Crown. His Honour, in giving judgment, said he felt bound by the decisions of the Superior Courts to hold that conspiracy had been proved and confirmed the sentence, but reduced the term of imprisonment to two months, and ordered that Mr. O'Kelly should be treated as a first-class misdemeanant.

THE American (?) Musical Comedy and Opera Company performed Gilbert and Sullivan's Opera-bouffe "Ruddigore" last night to an exceptionally thin house. Our main impression is that the talented artistes of this Company who delighted Hongkong audiences last season by the freshness of their *tout ensemble* and their excellent representations of the popular London comic operas, are now slowly but surely lapsing into the mechanical, drill-like style of acting. This is very much to be regretted. There are sufficient elements in the Company to render it a complete success both in the acting and the lyrical departments; but for some unknown reason they of late seem to disregard effectiveness in the rendering of their pieces and to be bent on giving to the public just the value of their money, and no more. We think operas require a great deal of staging adjuncts, choruses, and scenic effect, to make them acceptable as the quintessence of romance and poetry. Willard's Musical Company is composed of exceptionally proficient artistes, but their stage arrangements and accompaniments are sadly deficient. "Supers" are few and far between, and scenes which require a multitude of personages are performed by a few leading actors, the result being that the impression conveyed to the audience is generally unsatisfactory. We think the stage should be a faithful pourtrayal of life, and that operas and high class dramas should be the exact embodiments of that *modicum* of romance, fancy, and ideal reverie which is deeply woven into life's stern realities on earth. Scenic effect is an all-compensating circumstance in the rendering of operas. Gilbert and Sullivan's productions are conspicuous for the number of actors, supers, and choruses they embody. The rendering of a multitudinous piece by a few actors, and with poor scenic arrangements, is a travesty on the lyric art. What would we think of the painter who attempted to reproduce Raphael's Transfiguration by a few daubs on the canvas, or of the musician who reproduced Handel's soul-stirring melodies by a few blasts from a cornet-à-piston? The stage is an Art gallery; we want living impersonations of romance, poetry, music and the drama there; not machinery and military drill. We go to the theatre in the same mind as we read a high-class novel—we mean to satisfy our inborn craving after romantic, fantastic, and musical ideals. We treat indifferent plays just as we do literary productions of the dryasdust genus—leaving them aside and speedily forgetting them. Nothing satiates the human understanding but that which is akin to perfection. Actors, from too much familiarity with the stage, are apt to lapse into an unconscious contempt of the Thespian art, and their gradual but sure degeneration, probably unknown to themselves, is observable by spectators, to their undivided disgust. We sincerely hope the American Musical and Opera Company will retrieve their former reputation in this colony and elsewhere by a return to their original freshness and vitality. Reverting to last night's performance, we are conscious that it is difficult to perform with *vim* and energy to almost empty benches. Even Mr. Sheridan's power of mimicry and *impromptu* "gags" seemed at a loss last night, though it is but fair that the credit should be given to the right persons. And these, indeed, were the residents of Hongkong who were not there. The audience was the slimmest we have seen since the Company made their *début* here. The arrangements for the St. Andrew's Society Ball, as we stated yesterday, materially interfered with the programme of the evening; yet only in the sense that the audience who ought to have been there to hear the opera, was wanting. The theatre was decorated in anticipation, as far as could be allowed, so as not to interfere with the performance, the columns and balcony being wreathed with evergreens; and they made a very fair show and added not a little to the general appearance of the house. Yet this did not give to the performers the impetus to act and sing with their former zest, or it seemed to be so from the lack of appreciation by those who were present. The *duets* and concerted pieces, however, were well received, and really merited the encores which were imperatively demanded as well as the applause, which was so heartily given. Miss Hare and Mr. Sheridan did very well indeed in the *duet* "I know a youth," or it may be better known by another title taken from the refrain, "Poor little man," which was especially appropriate to Mr. Sheridan last night. The encore which they received was really deserved. Miss Hare had another encore in the first act which was well merited for 'If somebody" and was almost equalled by Miss Morrison as *Mad Margaret* in the solo "Over the ripening peach" which also well merited an encore. Mr. Cripps as *Sir Despard* was especially good last night, but with the exception of the chorus, which made a very great show as far as numbers are concerned, we can only refer our readers to the remarks of our "Kaptious Kritic" *on the first performance* of this opera by the Company, in our issue of August 20th. One additional criticism may be allowed from one who "has been there" and knows, and that is in reference to the "make up" of the ladies. It does not add to the appearance, or enhance the beauty of any woman, to appear as if she had forgotten to fully dress herself, which was, in real truth the impression of "Tommy Atkins" and others in the pit *quant* certain of the ladies. But *verbum sap.*

SUPREME COURT.

IN CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

(Before Mr. A. J. Leach, Acting Puisne Judge.)

The man and woman who had been found guilty of receiving the property stolen from Little Hongkong on the night of the murder were brought up for sentence this morning.

His Lordship this morning sentenced them male prisoner to two years' imprisonment, and the women to one year's imprisonment.

IN ORIGINAL JURISDICTION.

A WILL CASE.

His Lordship delivered the following judgment in the case of Ah Chan Lau *v.* Ho Lai Shee:—

This is an adjourned summons in the plaintiff's behalf to strike out paragraph 4 and 5 of the defendant's answer and for leave to reply thereto: and was heard before both judges. The first point for decision arises upon the will of Ho Tsum Shin whereby the testator gave all his estate real and personal to the defendant (his wife) "to be administered by her as she may think best in behalf of herself," and in his sons and daughters who are therein named. The 4th paragraph, in effect states matters which would be evidence to show that the words "to be administered" were used as meaning "to be used or disposed of" and the 5th paragraph states matters which have the object of showing that the testator's intention in naming his sons and daughters was not to necessarily benefit them or affect the disposition of his property. The pleading seems to me to set out matters which would be clearly inadmissible in evidence. The ordinary and popular meaning of the word "administer" would appear to be "to manage or conduct" at any rate not "to use or provide for" and in its legal sense it may refer either to the office of "administrator" as distinguished from that of "executor" or generally to the management and conduct of estates under administration. By alleging the matters in paragraph 4 the defendant is seeking by the use of extrinsic evidence to put a peculiar sense on the word "administer" and really to alter the testator's will although no ambiguity arises on the face of it as to the use of the words "to be administered." In regard to paragraph 5 of the answer although the testator has expressly given his property to his wife to be administered for the benefit of herself and children the matter pleaded is an attempt to show that the will it does not carry any necessary intention to benefit these children or to deal with the property for their benefit. I can conceive no ground for admitting evidence to prove this and I do not think the authorities cited by the learned counsel for the defendant really bear on this case. The case of Hill and Crock L.R. 6, H.L. 265 really turned upon the question whether the word "children" which *prima facie* imports "legitimate" would include upon the construction of that particular will "illegitimate" children, and facts were alleged in the bill filed to administer the testator's property showing the testator's knowledge of the circumstances of his daughter's union and of her children. In the case of Charter and Charter L.R. 7 H.L. p. 364 a testator having had a son named Forster who died in infancy but having at the date of his will two sons only, named respectively William Forster Charter, and Charles Charter, by his will speaks "of my son Forster Charter" and the question arose as to which of his living sons he meant and whether extrinsic evidence was admissible to explain whom he meant. The decisions of some of the noble Lords who decided the case are really against the defendant's contention. It was further contended by the Attorney General that there being no express power in the Code to strike out pleadings in answer, the Court has no power to do so except upon a settlement of issues. During the argument I entertained no doubt that the Court had inherent power to get rid of embarrassing or impertinent pleadings but on further consideration there appears to be some doubt on the point. In the case of Millington and Losing 6 O. B. Dir. at p.106 the Master of the Rolls (Lord Esher) says: "The Court has no jurisdiction to strike matters out unless they are in breach of Ord. XXVII. that is to say, are scandalous or tend and embarrass prejudice or delay the fair trial of the action" by which I understand what is meant is that the orders having stated upon what special ground pleadings may be struck out they cannot be struck out on other ground not mentioned. *Expressio unius exclusio alterius.* In the code there is provision for striking out libellous and needlessly offensive matter in petitions (sect. 32 34) and if this was a petition with which the Court was asked to deal it might be fairly argued that Lord Esher's statement was exactly in point, but the Code contains no provision for striking out pleadings generally or in an answer. On the other hand it expressly provides that it may not "set forth the evidence" or (sec. 33 r. 7) (r. 8) introduce "matters irrelevant to the suit:" and that is exactly what the Defdt. has done in his answer, he has pleaded matters which are really inadmissible evidence and if inadmissible irrelevant to the suit. Unless therefore a settlement of issues takes place which is by no means of course and indeed so far as my experience goes of rather rare occurrence or unless the Court has the inherent power to get rid of such matter the Plaintiff has no remedy. On this point I am not prepared to differ from the Chief Justice and inclined to think that the Court has the power on the same principle as the Court of Chancery was held to have power to strike out scandalous or impertinent matter as it was said to keep its records clear. Indeed in the analytical sense of the word "impertinent" it might be said all the matter pleaded in the 4th and 5th pargraphs is impertinent. I also think the Plaintiff should have liberty to reply to the answer. The Plaintiff says in his petition that the will creates a trust in his favor; the Defendant denies that there is a trust although she might have admitted it; the Plaintiff is entitled to reply 'You are estopped from saying so, in other words, the Court has already decided the point' to raise the issue 'res judicata' for what it is worth.

DR. CHALMERS AS A LAWYER.

His Lordship delivered judgment in the case of Ho Chun Lun and Ho Lai Shi for himself and the Chief Justice Mr. Francis, Q.C., instructed by Messrs. Caldwell and Wilkinson, appeared for the plaintiff, and the Attorney-General (Hon. E. L. O'Malley) instructed by Mr. Ewens, for the defendant.

He said:—This is an administration suit, and the matter comes into Court from Chambers. An application was made by plaintiff to strike out certain paragraphs in the defendant's answer on the ground that they were irrelevant, and also asked leave to file a replication. As the case is an important one, I thought it advisable to hear Counsel in Court, and adjourned into Court. For convenience, and to facilitate proceedings in case of appeal, the matter was argued before both judges. Sec 33, sub-secs. 7 and 8, of the Code states that the answer may not set forth the evidence by which the defence is intended to be supported, and that it should be clear and precise and not introduce matters irrelevant to the suit. Now it seems to me that the 4th and 5th paragraphs offend against both these provisions. The answer alleges that the defendant under the will took an absolute interest, and that there is no trust, and in paragraph 4 the answer sets out that the will was drawn up by an English clergyman who was not skilled in will-making, and that it was the intention of the testator to give an absolute interest to the defendant. Now I am clearly of opinion that no such evidence can be given to explain the will, and that it can not be pleaded. In the argument it was stated that the answer did not intend to set up a Chinese domicile in the testator, and if it does not the whole of the 4th paragraph should be struck out as being evidence and irrelevant. The 5th paragraph is irrelevant also in my opinion. It is clear if the issues were to be settled on the pleadings as they stand no issue would be raised by these paragraphs, and they would have to be struck out, but I think they should come out now. I am also of opinion that plaintiff should be allowed to reply if so advised. It may be a question whether the matter is *res judicata*, but it is a fit subject for argument. Application allowed as asked; costs to be costs in the case.

THE SEWERY BOARD.

Important meeting yesterday afternoon. Three members present on time. Secretary on balcony, looking for quorum. Quorum arrives. Dr. Ayres in chair, likewise present Surveyor-General, Registrar General, Capt. Deane, Mr. Ede, and Mr. Wong Shing. Mr. Francis absent, to everybody's regret. First business reading of "minutes by Mr. Francis." He wanted to have returns of deaths sent to him white-hot from the Registrar-General, and had written several scathing comments on the delay, for the benefit of the Board. Capt. Deane and Mr. Price severe. Want to know if anything would happen to the colony if Mr. Francis never saw the statistics. Unanimously decided that it would not matter a continental.—Peak drainage next subject. Question of connecting with Government drains reported upon. Surveyor-General says there are no drains at the Peak. Reminds one of the boarding-house where the landlady told a visitor that "that ere smell can't be from the drains, sir, 'cos there ain't none." Drains left to smell. Drs. Cantlie and Ho Kai turn up. Lot of report forms eloquently read by Secretary, and approved. Likewise contracts from the various artists who do the Board's work between dusk and dawn. Secretary incidentally mentioned that under the Ordinance their officers had no power to enter anybody's house until there was a nuisance. Chairman said he had made the first survey of the town's sanitation *ex officio*, going into houses with "by your leave," and the Chinese were so amused they invited him to stay to tea. General hilarity. Very nasty discussion ensues. Contracts ultimately renewed. Orders of the day nearly reached when Capt. Deane raised the question of whether a committee had not been appointed to consider night soil removal. Secretary said there had. Capt. Deane threatened to move that the said Committee be sacked if they did not report within a month. The Chairman explained that he had been several times and never met the whole Committee. Members of the Committee abashed. Regular business reached at last. Mr. Ede rises to move that a committee be appointed to frame by-laws under subsection 13 of section 13 of the Public Health Ordinance and to report to the Board on the subject of overcrowding as early as possible. Made a good speech. Said there was lots of room east and west of the town if the Chinese would only go, at low rents, and easy of access. Mentioned the other advantages which would accrue, and moved that Mr. Stewart-Lockhart and Mr. Francis be the committee. Mr. Francis, being absent, did not object. Suggested that the sub-committee frame bye-laws besides reporting on the question. Surveyor-General favored the idea, and seconded. Capt. Deane thought the strain would be too much even for two such able gentlemen, and moved as an amendment that they only report and let the bye-laws go. Bye-laws evidently the bane of the Board. Dr. Cantlie aghast at the extent of the question thus raised. Thinks "it's a terrible subject to tackle all at once." Goes on to ask—In the first place, is it compulsory on us to frame bye-laws on it? If not, have we the subject before us? We have a double overcrowding mentioned in the Ordinance, overcrowding of human beings and overcrowding of animals. It is important to know whether the committee is to deal with both of these, whether we are to assume there is overcrowding both of human beings and the lower animals, or whether they are to inquire whether there is overcrowding. A distinction must be drawn between overcrowding and surface crowding. What evidence have we of overcrowding? Typhus fever is a disease resulting from overcrowding. We have no knowledge of typhus fever in Hongkong. But you are not to imagine I don't believe in overcrowding. There is a disease in Hongkong which I believe is caused, I won't say purely, but to a great extent by overcrowding; I refer to *trismus nascentium*. There is a terrible mortality amongst children in Hongkong from that disease, as you may see as each week's death returns come round. Half the children who die in Hongkong die of this disease, and I am not convinced, but I am on the road to be convinced, that that is due to overcrowding and surface crowding. Does typhus fever prove overcrowding? We have no typhus. Does *trismus nascentium* prove it? That we have got to ascertain. Some time ago I asked the Surveyor-General to give me some notion of the area occupied in Hongkong, and he gave me the number of acres occupied between certain limits, and as near as I can gather there were 2,000 persons to the acre. That seems to show there is surface crowding. 1,000 to the acre is supposed to be the right thing, and 2,000 is double. What we have got to consider is, first of all, is it worth appointing a committee? Does overcrowding, does surface crowding exist? Shall the same committee be appointed to consider the question with reference to human beings and the lower animals? To do this thoroughly it seems to me would take twelve months. It is a very tender subject. We remember the discussion there was about allowing 200 cubic feet to the human individual, and these two gentlemen who are to form the committee will be placed in a most invidious position. If we are compelled to make by-laws, then we must set to work upon them; if not, then we should inquire, first does overcrowding exist, does surface overcrowding exist, and if so what measures are to be taken to prevent it?

Dr. Ho Kai, the never failing seconder, rises to support Capt. Deane's amendment. Believed in overcrowding to some extent, but wanted more evidence of it. Lawyer evidently superior to doctor. Denies that half the infantile mortality is due to that terrible *trismus nascentium* of Dr. Cantlie's. Also impugned the value of the official mortality returns, owing to the floating nature of the population. Likewise contradicted Mr. Ede's assertion that there is plenty of accommodation for Chinese within easy reach of the town. Wouldn't even acknowledge there was overcrowding. Rest of Board quite speechless at his all round audacity; Chairman takes refuge in his moustachios. Dr. Ho Kai flows on—says some good things, too. Can't make people move on and live cleanly by Ordinance; they would live in central rookeries unless there was some attraction other than ventilation and guaranteed freedom from *trismus nascentium*. Thought they should think the matter over, and then get the Government to think it over, and then, after the London Board of Works and Secretary of State had slept on it, they might begin to commence to start to do something. Mr. Ede deals briefly but pertinently with the various objections—strong in *argumentum ad hominem*. Surveyor-General sympathetic—had intended to move for a Commission himself if Mr. Ede had not anticipated him. Made a good suggestion—that the city should be mapped out in small bits and each bit compared with another. Mr. Ede agrees to a compromise with Capt. Deane, and does not press for a report from the Committee. Everybody satisfied after Mr. Ede has been put on the Committee instead of Mr. Francis. Dr. Cantlie next complains that since he has been asked to report on the bad lot of papers recently drawn up by the Medical pro-

fession in the town the Secretary had refused to give him the papers, saying he had not been asked. Secretary still stiff-necked—says he was not authorised to do so, no motion having been made. Dr. Cantlie said it was reported so in the newspapers. Reporters vindicated by Mr. Ede and Dr. Ho Kai, who both remember it. Chairman supports secretary. Matter settled by repeating the motion, and future mistakes prevented by Registrar-General suggesting that every proposer should write his motion down and give it to the Secretary. Business finished.

CANTON.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

Canton, 29th November, 1888.

Quite a number of changes have taken place amongst the higher Provincial officials. The Provincial Treasurer is promoted to Governor of Kwang-si and vacates his office at once. Considering this official is in his seventy-eighth year, it is to be feared nothing very startling in the way of an energetic policy will take place in the neighbouring province during His Excellency's regime. The new Provincial Judge who arrived here yesterday and takes over the seals of office on Saturday, will act temporarily as Provincial Treasurer and Lieutenant Governor of the Province pending the arrival of the Provincial Judge of Schezuen who is appointed Fantai of this Province.

The Viceroy is getting quite into a future in regard to Railways, and an experimental one to Whampoa is seriously under consideration. The official reports which have reached the Viceroy from Tientsin and from Formosa as to the advantages of Railway communication at those places have had a salutary effect in removing the prejudices of His Excellency in this direction in a marked degree.

The Viceroy has promised $3,000,000, out of the Tls. 6,000,000 demanded by the Peking Government for the contribution of this province towards the Yellow River reparation fund.

A kind of Statistical Department is being formed in connection with the Board of Reorganization, and the position of all outstanding Provincial liabilities is to be carefully investigated and reported upon for submission to Peking. This is a step in the right direction.

The steamship *Pasig* put in an appearance on Wednesday after her overhaul, and the alterations to her machinery have considerably improved her speed.

AMOY.

(FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.)

AMOY, 27th November, 1888.

There has been a regular chapter of disaster and crime here lately.

On Sunday morning last, when one of the numerous passenger boats, plying between Amoy and Tung-wa, was nearing her destination, she was capsized in a sudden squall, throwing her passengers in the water. Latest accounts state that there are about twenty men and women missing; but it is surmised that a few of these will turn up, having been picked up by some of the sampans that went to the capsized junk, not to save life but, as usual, to loot all they could lay their hands on.

On Saturday last a brutal murder was committed in a Chinese brothel, by one of the inmates, who cut a visitor's throat, nearly severing the head from the body.

In another brothel, during a dispute about money matters, a man took up a knife and stabbed one of the girls in the neck; she is not expected to recover.

INDIAN TELEGRAMS.

KARACHI, November 6th.

Sir Charles and Lady Dilke arrived here to-day; Sir Frederick Roberts and Brigadier General Coombe went on board the *Locksley Hall* when brought alongside the pier, and received them. They leave by to-night's train with Sir Frederick Roberts, for Quetta.

A *Gazette Extraordinary* publishes a programme for the reception of the new Viceroy, Lord Lansdowne, who is expected to arrive at Aden on the twenty-seventh instant, and in Bombay on the third December; his arrival at Calcutta will be noticed hereafter.

ISMAILIA, November 7th.

Troopship *Crocodile* passed Canal Homewards.

CALCUTTA, November 7th.

The Lieutenant Governor of Bengal will reach Calcutta on the 12th instant from Darjeeling, and leaves at once to visit the famine-stricken districts in Orissa, reaching Puri on the 2nd and returning to town on the 30th. Rupees fifteen thousand have been sanctioned for gratuitous relief in Orissa.

BOMBAY, November 7th.

Allal Jirgah, consisting of one of the factions, opposed to Assub Khan has come in. The withdrawal of the Expedition to Agror has commenced. It is believed that the evacuation of the Black Mountains will not take place for another fortnight.

CALCUTTA, 8th November.

General Graham goes to Darjeeling to-day, to confer with the Lieutenant-Governor, who will also meet Mr. Paul at Kalimpong on Saturday; a spring campaign will probably be decided upon.

Two hundred and fifty picked men of the 27th Native Infantry embark at Calcutta on the 16th instant for Burma to take part in the Mogoung expedition.

CAIRO, 29th November.

General Grenfell has visited Suakim, and has decided that it is imperative to further reinforce the garrison there.

CALCUTTA, November 10th.

A severe earthquake was experienced at Jellapahar, and Darjeeling yesterday evening, there were seven upheavals lasting thirteen seconds. A dull roar preceded the shock in the direction of E.N.E. by W.S.W.

The India Office has decided against the Streeter Syndicate for the Burma Ruby Mines.

BOMBAY, November 10th.

The *Pioneer's* London telegram states that it is announced in the city, that the India Office have decided against the Streeter Syndicate. It is expected that tenders will now be invited to work the Burma Ruby Mines.

Cabul reports still attempt to throw discredit on the success of the Ameer's troops in Turkistan.

Advices from the Black Mountains show that opposition is not yet ended; Chagarzais have not sent a formal submission.

Rain everywhere in the Bombay Presidency extended well through Guzerat, Bhownagger and Dhollera.

12th November.

The Government of India have instructed General McQueen to take no action against Chagarzai; General McQueen is now at Ogbi.

SIMLA, November 13th.

The Viceroy, accompanied by the Marchioness of Dufferin, left Simla this morning, under the usual salute, the Volunteers and a detachment of Sikhs forming guards of honor; many ladies and gentlemen assembled to bid their Excellencies farewell.

A moderate expedition to the Chittagong Hill Tracts, probably two despatched, comprising [illegible] Lancers, two companies of Gor[illegible] and two guns of [illegible]

It is reported, that the Pioneers at Gnatong have started for Chumbi, where they are to pass the winter, and the recall of the guns has been countermanded.

Looting has been practically stopped in the Ganjam district, large numbers of rioters having been arrested; some rain has fallen there, but far from enough.

Another of the ferry steamers, the *Mongolia*, plying between the bank and Rajeunge, belonging to Messrs. Hoare Miller and Co., sank yesterday at dusk, in collision with the steamer *Clive*; there were some three hundred people on board, mostly native clerks going home from their offices, and it is feared that more than one hundred have perished.

LATE TELEGRAMS.

LONDON, October 30th.

A report has been received from the Congo to the effect that Mr. H. M. Stanley and all the members of his expedition for the relief of Emin Pasha, except two, were massacred.

In connection with the request for the recall of Sir Lionel Sackville West, it is stated that Mr. Bayard, United States Secretary of State, had a feeling of irritation against the British Minister, as he believed that the latter had deceived him during the recent conference at Washington respecting the attitude of England on the Samoan question.

The libel action brought by Mr. Parnell against the *Times* in the Scotch Courts is to be limited to the question of the letters attributed to Mr. Parnell, but which he asserts are forgeries.

The ironworkers in the North of England have refused to accept an advance of 5 per cent in wages, and demand a 10 per cent advance.

Admiral Hornby and Admiral Lord Alcester insist that thirty additional ironclads and 250 cruisers are essential to the efficiency of the British Navy. Lord Alcester (late Sir F. Beauchamp Seymour) condemns the *Orlando*, the new Australian flagship.

It is stated that Mr. O'Brien has induced Lord Kenmare's tenants to adopt the plan of campaign.

The Emperor William of Germany formally laid the last stone of the Hamburg Harbour Works yesterday, amidst great enthusiasm.

Great irritation is manifested by the German Press against France in consequence of an assertion made at Nancy by M. Meribel, that a war of revenge against Germany would not be much longer delayed.

October 31st.

The order recently made by the Court of Chancery, authorising the investment in colonial stocks of funds under the control of the court, has been suspended.

That portion of New Guinea hitherto under British protection, has been gazetted a British possession.

The Right Hon. G J. Goschen, Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a speech delivered at Aberdeen to-day, declared that if the Government were to surrender what the Irish party demand, the relations between the colonies and the mother-country would be imperilled.

A meeting of merchants and others has been convened for the 22nd November, with the object of appointing a deputation to wait on Lord Salisbury and urge the Government to expedite the survey of the route of the proposed Pacific cable between Vancouver and Australia.

November 1st.

Mr. Vizetelly, the London publisher, has been fined £100 for publishing an English translation of the works of M. Emile Zola, the French novelist. Proceedings were taken on the ground that the works in question were obscene.

The Earl of Rosebery, speaking at Edinburgh last night, declared that the difficulties in the way of arranging for the federation of the British Empire were small compared with those that were overcome in achieving the union of the different States of Germany and restoring the union between the Northern and Southern States of America.

Cardinal Newman is reported to be suffering from great debility. [His Eminence is 87 years of age.]

The Pope has appointed a Commission to inquire into the question of re-opening diplomatic relations between the Papal See and the Government of Great Britain.

The Parnell Commission continued its sittings to-day, but the proceedings were of no special importance, and the Commission adjourned until Tuesday next.

Cardinal Newman, who has been suffering from great debility, fell down to-day and struck his head, sustaining such injuries that his recovery is considered doubtful, and consequently he received extreme unction.

The King of Holland is reported to be in a critical state of health, suffering from an affection of the throat.

The annual municipal elections just concluded have proved favourable to the Conservative Party.

The Right Hon. E. Stanhope, Secretary for War, states that the British army is now being rapidly supplied with the best magazine rifle in existence.

November 8th.

The Parnell Commission have been occupied this week chiefly in hearing evidence connected with outrages and murders.

CAIRO, November 9th.

General Grenfell has visited Suakin, and has decided that it is imperative to further reinforce the garrison there.

The *Daily Telegraph* states that a Committee of the Cabinet have decided that an increase to the Navy is necessary, and that Government will present to Parliament proposals to build eight ironclads, twenty cruisers, and a number of torpedo vessels.

PARIS, November 10th.

M. de Freycinet, speaking in the Chamber of Deputies, said it was useless to expect any reduction in the extraordinary budget of the war ministry, and told the Chamber they must rather be prepared to make an exceptional effort to secure the defence of the country.

ROME, November 10th.

The Italian Government has ordered two men-of-war to the East Coast of Africa to co-operate in the blockade there.

PARIS, November 11th.

In an outspoken speech made by the Marquis Breteuil at Marseilles, he said the Royalists in France would give their support to General Boulanger, because he represents the demand for a change, and that being effected, the nation must then choose as to its future form of Government.

MADRID, November 11th.

Great demonstrations of students intermixed with Republican agitators took place here throughout to-day against Senor Canovas and other Conservative leaders. The carriage of Senor Canovas was stoned by the mob as it passed through the streets; the mob ultimately dispersed, without any fighting taking place.

The *Pioneer's* London telegram says that the German-African Company have despatched an Agent to India to try and recruit Mahrattas and other natives to serve as troops within the sphere of German interest in Africa, and also to accompany the German Expedition for the relief of Emin Pasha.

A private telegram from London announces another murder of a woman in Whitechapel, under conditions similar to the previous ones.

SIMLA, November 13th.

The Viceroy, accompanied by the Marchioness of Dufferin, left Simla this morning, under the usual salute, the Volunteers and a detachment of Sikhs forming guards of honor; many ladies and gentlemen assembled to bid their Excellencies farewell.

A *Gazette Extraordinary* publishes a programme for the reception of the new Viceroy, Lord Lansdowne, who is expected to arrive at Aden on the twenth-seventh inst., and in Bombay on the third December; his arrival at Calcutta will be notified hereafter.

LONDON, November 13th.

Sir Charles Warren has resigned the Commissioner-ship of the London Police, in consequence of being reproved by Mr. Matthews, the Home Secretary, for publishing an article in *Murray's Magazine*.

Mr. William Redmond has been imprisoned under the Crimes Act, but has been released owing to ill health.

MR. PARNELL'S SCOTTISH ACTION.

In the Court of Session, Edinburgh, on Saturday, October 27th, Lord Kinnear had set down for adjustment of record the action by Charles Stewart Parnell, Avondale, county Wicklow, Ireland, M.P., against John Walter, proprietor of *The Times* newspaper and residing at 40, Upper Grosvenor-street, London W.; and George Edward Wright, printer and publisher of the said *Times* newspaper, against whom arrestments had been used *ad fundandam jurisdictionem* by virtue of letters of arrestment signeted 11th of August, 1888. The pursuer concludes for £50,000 as damages for alleged libel, and is represented by Mr J. B. Balfour, Q.C., M.P., Mr. Asher, Q.C., M.P., and Mr. Strachan, advocates. The defenders are represented by Mr. J. P. B. Robertson, Q.C., M.P., Lord Advocate for Scotland, Mr. Mackintosh, Dean of Faculty, and Mr. A. Graham Murray, advocates.

Mr. Strachan.—We are ready to close the record now in this case.

Lord Kinnear.—What else do you propose to-day?

Mr. Strachan.—I move your Lordship to allow a proof of our averments in regard to jurisdiction; but I believe my friend wants it to go to the procedure roll.

Mr. Murray.—I want it to go the procedure roll, as I certainly wish to raise the question as to the relevancy of the pursuer's averments of jurisdiction. As your Lordship knows, we thought there should be a reversal, but your Lordship took another view. I think it right to point out that the alterations made by my friend are very considerable. I am not complaining of that. It is entirely within his right, but I think it is right to point out to the Judge who closes the record the nature of the alterations. Among other very considerable alterations, my friends have deleted entirely all complaint of the statement which we have made that the pursuer supplied Frank Byrne with funds to escape from justice.

Lord Kinnear.—That is now struck out.

Mr. Murray.—Yes, it is no longer said that it it untrue, or false, or malicious.

Lord Kinnear.—That relieves the record of one question.

Mr. Murray.—Yes, of one question in one view of it, but why I want to go to the procedure roll is, that I shall certainly contend that there is no relevant averment of jurisdiction against the defenders here at all. The only other point to which I think it right to call your Lordship's attention in closing the record, is where the statements of the defenders are not met at all. My friend has just put a general denial against the whole statement of facts. Probably, I am not entitled to force him to do more than that, but there are two pointed averments of English law, which are facts as your Lordship knows, and as to these he takes no notice whatever.

Mr. Strachan.—They are fully met.

Lord Kinnear.—The only question upon that will arise when issues are adjusted, if the jurisdiction is sustained.

Mr. Murray.—I do not see that the averments of English law are met. Your Lordship sees that the various things complained of are in a somewhat different position. So far as I know, there is no difference between the English law and Scottish law as to what is called a fair comment, and there is no difference, of course, as to statements in articles in a newspaper; but there may be differences between the two laws—I do not say whether there are or not, as I think it unnecessary—there may be differences between the two laws as to the responsibility which arises from the statement of a counsel in Court and from the report of a trial; and as the wrong done here, if it was done, was done in England, it is necessary, of course, for us to aver what the English law is upon the subject—namely, that it gives rise to no action. Now, I should have thought in the ordinary course of pleadings that my friend would have admitted that my statement of English law was correct or would have denied it, of course the statement of English law being for the purposes of these pleadings a statement of fact.

Mr. Strachan.—The only question of English law is as to the writ taken out in England. That matter is fully answered and dealt with on record.

Mr. Murray.—You know perfectly well what I am referring to. I am not referring to that.

Mr. Strachan—If you are referring to the speech of the Attorney-General——

Mr. Murray.—Yes.

Mr. Strachan.—No question of law can possibly arise in regard to that, because the case stands in this way. We allege that the Attorney-General, in the course of his speech on the instructions of the defenders, made certain statements in regard to certain letters, and that these letters were afterwards reported in *The Times*. Now, I perfectly concede so far, that if it had stood there I would have had no ground to complain of the Attorney-General's speech, because it would have been privileged; but what we complain of is, that *The Times* in its own leading articles adopted every one of these, what we call slanderous statements, and undertook to prove them.

Lord Kinnear.—In short, Mr. Strachan, when you come to take your issue, your issue will not be upon what was said by the Attorney-General, or on what was reported as having taken place at the trial, but your issue will be upon what was said in leading articles in *The Times*.

Mr. Strachan.—Exactly so, my Lord.

Lord Kinnear.—Then as to the averments upon which the plea of jurisdiction is founded, I suppose the only question you propose to send to proof is whether funds belonging to the defenders have or have not been attached.

Mr. Strachan.—That is one ground. There is another ground of jurisdiction, the publication of *The Times* newspaper in Scotland. We intend to put it on both grounds.

Lord Kinnear.—Do you propose to prove publication on the question of jurisdiction? That would be rather singular.

Mr. Strachan.—Yes; but nothing can be done until these two matters are disposed of and the question of the jurisdiction established. But if my friend is going to dispute the relevancy of my averments in regard to the jurisdiction, I concede that there is nothing for it except to go to the procedure roll.

Lord Kinnear.—I would like to know first what the question of relevancy is upon that point—If you are going to maintain that no funds have been arrested and that there is no jurisdiction.

Mr. Murray.—When my friend closes the record I want to go to the procedure roll upon the relevancy. It is putting rather a great test upon me to disclose my case so that my friend may amend his record.

Lord Kinnear.—The record is closed, and I want to know whether there is really a question of relevancy, in order to determine whether I am to send the case to the procedure roll.

Mr. Murray.—I will tell your Lordship on the distinct understanding——

Lord Kinnear.—I make no understanding with anybody.

Mr. Murray.—No, my Lord, of course not with your Lordship, but with my friend. The point is this:—The only averment of publication is that the newspapers are sent by post to persons in Scotland, and thus, says the pursuer, the newspaper is published in Scotland. According to my view that is an irrevelant averment of publication. In the same way as to the funds arrested. What my friend sets forth is that under the English Act, 44 and 45 Vic., which provides for the registration of newspaper proprietors for certain purposes, he says that in respect of that Act, Mr. Walter has right to the sums which are due by these parties. That, again, I say is irrelevant, because when you go to that Act you will find it gives no such right.

Lord Kinnear.—That depends upon the averment. If you have an averment that no funds have been arrested, surely one must ascertain whether anything has been arrested before we can dispose of that question.

Mr. Murray.—Not necessarily before, for the only way in which my friend says the funds have been arrested is that funds due to Mr. Walter in his capacity of registered proprietor under the Act 44 and 45 Vic. have been arrested. If your Lordship goes to 44 and 45 Vic. you will find that it gives no such right, it merely registers him for perfectly different purposes, and, therefore, I say I am not met with any distinct averment at all that any funds have been arrested. Secondly, also as to the publication, even taking publication, we deny the publication as a source of jurisdiction at all.

Lord Kinnear.—Mr. Strachan and Mr. Balfour, these points being raised I suppose the case must go to the procedure roll.

Mr. Balfour.—Very well; certainly.

Lord Kinnear accordingly sent the case to the procedure roll.

The pleas in law for the pursuer are:—1. The defenders are subject to the jurisdiction of this Court (1) in respect of the publication of the said newspaper in Scotland; and (2) in respect of the aforesaid arrestments. 2. The pursuer is entitled to have the case tried in this Court in respect that, having regard to the position and residence of the parties and the nature of the questions involved, it is the most suitable convenient forum for the trial thereof. 3. The defenders, having slandered the pursuer as condescended on, he is entitled to damages as concluded for.

The pleas in law for the defenders are:—1. No jurisdiction against either defender. 2. *Forum non conveniens*. 3. The statements of the pursuer are irrelevant and insufficient in law to support the conclusion of the summons. 4. The statements made by the Attorney-General in the action of "O'Donnell *v.* Walter," being by the law of England privileged, and giving no claim for damages, no action can lie in respect thereof. 5. So far as the articles complained of are contained in the report of the said trial of law of "O'Donnell *v.* Walter," they are privileged by the law of the country where the publication thereof took place, and no action lies in respect thereof. 6. The articles complained of being fair comment on matters of public interest the defenders should be assoilzied. 7. The whole statements made by and on behalf of the defenders concerning the pursuer being true, the defenders are entitled to absolvitor. 8. The averments of the pursuer being unfounded in fact, the defenders should be assoilzied.

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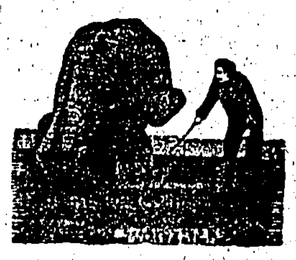
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Yangtsze Insurance Association—Tls. 97 per share, buyers.
Chinese Insurance Company—$165 per share. buyers.
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Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—$320 per share, buyers.
China Fire Insurance Company—$74½ per share, buyers.
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Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.—$220 per share, sellers.
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China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$189 per share, sales.
Luzon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—$93 per share, sellers.
Hongkong Ice Company—$93 per share, sales and buyers.
Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited, —$80 per share.
Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—$12½ per share, sellers.
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ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T.	3/0⅝
Bank Bills, on demand	3/0⅝
Bank Bills, at 30 days' sight	3/1
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Credits at 4 months' sight	3/1⅛
Documentary Bills, at 4 months' sight	3/1⅛
ON PARIS.—	
Bank Bills, on demand	3.79
Credits, at 4 months' sight	3.97
ON INDIA, T. T.	223
On Demand	223½
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank, T. T.	72
Private, 30 days' sight	72⅛

OPIUM MARKET.—THIS DAY.

NEW MALWA, per picul (Allowance, Taels 40).	$660
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NEW BENARES, (bottom) per chest	$550
NEW PERSIAN (best quality) per picul	$630
OLD PERSIAN (best quality) per picul	$600
OLD PERSIAN (second quality) per picul	$580

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

29th November, 1888.—At 4 p.m.

STATION	Barometer red. to sea level & 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.31	28	...	N	2	c	...
Tokio	30.24	...	...	N	2	...	...
Nagasaki	30.09	...	...	NE	2	...	1.89
Shanghai	30.14	55	90	WNW	2	c	...
Amoy	30.12	73	76	ESE	4	b	...
Hongkong	30.10	74	69	E	2	b	...
Haiphong	30.12	61	76	NE	1	c	...
Bolinao	29.99	83	60	N	2	b	...
Manila	29.96	85	60	NNE	1	c	...

30th November, 1888.—At 10 a.m.

STATION.	Barometer red. to sea level & 32° Fahr.	Temperature.	Humidity.	Wind. Direction.	Wind. Force.	Weather.	Rain last 24 hours.
Wladivostock	30.35	18	75	W	4	c	...
Tokio	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Nagasaki	30.06	...	...	NNW	4	...	...
Shanghai	30.45	48	85	NNW	4	c	...
Amoy	...	...	...	...	...	...	...
Hongkong	30.24	76	60	NNE	2	b	...
Haiphong	30.18	73	91	S	1	b	...
Bolinao	30.02	81	83	NE	2	c	...
Manila	...	...	...	...	...	...	...

The barometer has risen in Shanghai and gradients have therefore increased for north-east winds. Cloudy, warm and damp weather prevails.

x—barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches, tenths and hundredths. y—Temperature in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit. z—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. a—Direction of the wind to two points. 5—Force of the wind according to Beaufort scale. c—State of the weather, b Blue sky, d Detached clouds, e Drizzling rain, f Fog, g Gloomy, h Hail, l Lightning, o Overcast, p Passing showers, r Squally, s Rain, t Snow, th Thunder, v Visibility, w Dew wet). 7—Rain in inches, tenths and hundredths.

W. DOBSON
Hongkong Observatory, 30th November, 1888.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Falconer & Co.'s Register.)

To-day.	
Barometer—9 a.m.	30.25
Barometer—3 p.m.	30.19
Barometer—4 p.m.	30.18
Thermometer—9 a.m.	74
Thermometer—1 p.m.	76
Thermometer—2 p.m.	78
Thermometer—8 a.m. (Wet bulb)	68
Thermometer—1 p.m. (Wet bulb)	70
Thermometer—2 p.m. (Wet bulb)	70
Thermometer—Maximum (sun, night)	78
Thermometer—Minimum (sun, night)	70

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE FRENCH MAIL.

The M. M. Co.'s steamer *Natal*, with the mail of 3rd instant, left Singapore on the 29th, at 7 a.m., and may be expected here on or about the 6th proximo.

THE AMERICAN MAIL.

The O. & O. S. S. Co.'s steamer *Arabic*, with mails, &c., from San Francisco to the 7th inst., left Yokohama at daylight, on the 27th, and may be expected here on or about the 3rd proximo.

THE INDIAN MAIL.

The steamer *Arratoon Apcar*, from Calcutta, left Singapore on the 26th instant, and is expected here on or about the 2nd proximo.

THE CANADIAN MAILS.

The Canadian Pacific steamer *Duke of Westminster*, with the Canadian mail, left Yokohama on the 17th instant, for Kobe and Hongkong.

The Canadian Pacific steamer *Abyssinia*, with the Canadian mail, left Vancouver for Japan and Hongkong on the 13th instant.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Venetia*, from Bombay, left Singapore on the 28th instant, and may be expected here on or about the 4th proximo.

The Austro-Hungarian Lloyd's S. N. Co.'s steamer *Berenice*, from Trieste, left Colombo for this port on the 22nd instant.

The 'Glen' line steamer *Glenfruin*, from London, left Singapore on the 25th instant, and is expected here on the 2nd proximo.

The 'Shire' line steamer *Monmouthshire*, from New York, left Singapore on the 28th inst., and is expected here on the 5th proximo.

The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Anchises*, from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 28th instant, and is expected here on the 5th proximo.

The D. D. R. steamer *Daphne*, from Hamburg, left Singapore on the 30th instant, and is expected here on the 6th proximo.

Shipping.

ARRIVALS.

ELSA, German steamer, 747, Jensen, 29th Nov., —Iloilo 25th Nov., Sugar.—Arnhold, Karberg & Co.
SARTHE, French steamer, 470, Lehnedé, 30th Nov.,—Iloilo 25th Nov., Sapanwood.—A. R. Marty.
FUSHUN, Chinese steamer, 1,503, A. Croad, 30th Nov.,—Shanghai 27th November, General. —C. M. S. N. Co.
PICCIOLA, German steamer, 875, Th. Nissen, 30th Nov.,—Whampoa 30th Nov., General. —Ed. Schellhass & Co.
ULYSSES, British steamer, 1,526, J. H. Butler, 30th November,—Liverpool 12th Oct., and Singapore 23rd November, General.—Butterfield & Swire.
THALES, British steamer, 820, Hunter, 30th Nov.,—Taiwanfoo 26th Nov., Amoy 27th, and Swatow 29th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.

CLEARANCES AT THE HARBOUR OFFICE.

Soochow, British steamer, for Hoihow.
Marie, German steamer, for Haiphong.
Namoa, British steamer, for Swatow, &c.

DEPARTURES.

November 30, *Activ*, Danish str., for Hoihow.
November 30, *Strathleven*, British steamer, for Nagasaki, &c.
November 30, *Swift*, British gunboat, for Sandakan.
November 30, *General Werder*, German str., for Yokohama.

PASSENGERS—ARRIVED.

Per *Thales*, str., from Taiwanfoo, &c.—Mr Richardson, and 109 Chinese.
Per *Fushun*, str., from Shanghai.—Mrs. Mudie and 3 children, Mrs. Croad, Miss Maud Williams, Messrs. Samson and brother, Denby, and 205 Chinese.
Per *Ulysses*, str., from Liverpool, &c.—For Hongkong.—Messrs. May, Fisher, Carrie, and Eldridge, and 710 Chinese for Hongkong. For Japan.—Miss Dale, Miss Crossman, and Mr. Latir. For Shanghai.—Messrs. Moore and Henderson.

TO DEPART.

Per *Namoa*, str., for Shanghai *vid* Foochow. —Misses Smith (4), and man servant, and Mr. Smith.
Per *Marie*, str., for Haiphong.—Rev. Fuentes, Messrs. Victor Roque, Grelier, Debrand, and 12 Chinese.

REPORTS.

The British steamship *Ulysses* reports that she left Liverpool on the 12th ultimo, and Singapool on the 23rd instant. Had strong north-east monsoon and clear weather.

The Chinese steamship *Fushun* reports that she left Shanghai on the 27th instant. Had light variable airs to Chapel Island, and showery weather; from there had fine weather and light airs.

The British steamship *Thales* reports that she left Taiwanfoo on the 26th instant, Amoy on the 27th, and Swatow on the 29th. From Taiwanfoo to Amoy had strong north-north-east winds and heavy sea with cloudy, squally weather at intervals. From Amoy to Swatow had strong north-north-east winds and squally weather with overcast sky. From Swatow to port had moderate breeze and fine clear weather. In Swatow, the steamships *Wenchow*, *Kaifong*, and *Hothow*.

Post Office.

A MAIL WILL CLOSE

For Swatow, Amoy, & Foochow.—Per *Namoa* to-morrow, the 1st December, at 11.30 A.M.
For Amoy and Manila.—Per *Zafiro*, to-morrow, the 1st December, at 3.30 P.M.
For Shanghai.—Per *Amoy*, to-morrow, the 1st December, at 3.30 P.M.
For Port Darwin, Thursday Island, Cooktown, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney, Melbourne, Adelaide, &c., &c.—Per *Tannadice*, to-morrow, the 1st December, at 5.00 P.M.
For Saigon.—Per *Carisbrooke*, to-morrow, the 1st December, at 5.00 P.M.
For Chinkiang.—Per *Amigo*, on Sunday, the 2nd December, at 9.00 A.M.
For Europe, &c., India, *vid* Bombay.—Per *Thames*, on Wednesday, the 5th December, at 11.00 A.M.
For Singapore.—Per *Bellona*, on Thursday, the 6th December, at 3.30 P.M.
For Nagasaki, Kobe, and Yokohama.—Per *Verona*, on Saturday, the 8th December, at 5.00 P.M.
For Europe, &c., &c.—Per *Preussen*, on Saturday, the 22nd December, at 5.00 P.M.

SHIPPING IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.

AMIGO, German steamer, 772, T. A. Bruhn, 29th Nov.—Newchwang, and Chefoo 24th Nov., Beans.—Geo. R. Stevens & Co.
AMOY, German steamer, 814, R. Kohler, 29th Nov.,—Whampoa 29th Nov., General.—Siemssen & Co.
CARISBROOKE, British steamer, 973, R. Cass, 20th Nov.,—Nagasaki 15th Nov., Coal.—Morris & Ray.
CITY OF PEKING, American steamer, 5,079 W. B. Seabury, 23rd Nov.,—San Francisco 27th October, and Yokohama 17th Nov., Mails and General.—P. M. S. S. Co.
FAME, British steamer, 117, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
KONG BENG, British steamer, 862, R. Jones, 23rd Nov.,—Bangkok 14th Nov., Rice and General.—Yuen Fat Hong.
ICHANG, British steamer, 1,250, T. Shaw, 28th Nov.,—Shanghai 24th Nov., Ballast.—Butterfield & Swire.
MARIE, German steamer, 704, Hundewadt, 22nd Nov.,—Haiphong 19th Nov., Rice and General.—A. R. Marty.
MEEFOO, Chinese steamer, 1,338, Wm. H. Lunt, 29th Nov.,—Whampoa 29th Nov., General.—C. M. S. N. Co.
NAMOA, British steamer, 863, T. G. Pocock, 28th Nov.,—Foochow 25th November, Amoy 26th, and Swatow 27th, General.—D. Lapraik & Co.
PARTHIA, British steamer, 2,035, F. H. Wallace, 25th Nov.,—Vancouver 25th October, General.—Adamson, Bell & Co.
PHUQUOC, French steamer, Robin, 21st Nov.,—Touron 17th November, General.—Wing Tay.
PILOT FISH, British steamer, 161, A. Stopani.—Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co.
SOOCHOW, British steamer, 327, T. Rowin, 29th Nov.,—Pakhoi 26th Nov., and Hoihow 28th, General.—Chinese.
TANNADICE, British steamer, 1,408, N. Shannon, 25th Nov.,—Kobe 18th Nov., General.—Russell & Co.
VICTORIA, British steamer, 1,530, J. Coundon, 21st Nov.,—Nagasaki 16th Nov., Coals.—Takasima Colliery Co.
VISAYAS, Spanish steamer, 406, J. de Ajubita, 8th Oct.,—Manila, *vid* Amoy 4th October, General.—Ban Ho.
ZAFIRO, British steamer, 675, McCaslin, 25th Nov.,—Manila 22nd November, General.—Russell & Co.

SAILING VESSELS.

ARCADIA, British bark, 417, D. S. Eward, 25th Nov.,—Whampoa 24th Nov., General.—Wieler & Co.
ERLKOENIG, Chinese bark, 457, Opium Examination hulk, Stonecutters' Island.—Chinese Customs.
HONOLULU, British ship, 1,599, Leevy, 2nd Oct., —Shanghai 24th Sept., Ballast.—Melchers & Co.
H. G. JOHNSON, American bark, 1,027, Colby, 26th Oct.,—Keelung 23rd Oct., Coals.—Russell & Co.
LADY HAREWOOD, British bark, 382, T. H. Williams, 18th Nov.,—Iloilo 3rd Nov., Sapanwood and General.—Gonsalves & Co.
OMEGA, British steamer, 480, A. V. Brown, 16th Nov.,—Celebes 24th October, Timber.—Ed. Schellhass & Co.
P. N. BLANCHARD, American ship, 1,503, M. W. Blanchard, 25th Sept.,—Hiogo (Japan) 5th Sept., General.—Siemssen & Co.
RAPHAEL, American ship 1,465, E. W. Harkness, 30th Oct.,—Nagasaki 28th Oct., Coal.—Order.
SWAN, American brig, 287, D. D. O'Keefe, 15th Nov.,—Yap (Carolines) 6th Nov., General. —Captain.
VELOCITY, British bark, 491, R. Martin, 14th Nov.,—Honolulu 3rd October, Old Iron.—Chinese.
WAKEFIELD, American bark, 842, W. S. Crowell, 12th Nov.,—Amoy 10th Nov., Ballast.—Siemssen & Co.
WILLIAM MANSON, British bark, 366, H. Kindred, 20th November,—Albany (West Australia) 20th September, Sapanwood.—Gilman & Co.

HER BRITANNIC MAJESTY'S SHIPS IN THE CHINA SQUADRON.

Alacrity, despatch-vessel, 1,400 tons, 3,180 h-p., 4 guns, Commander P. Blair Maconochie, Yokohama.
Cockchafer, gunboat, 2nd-class, 460 tons, 470 h-p., 4 guns, Lieut.-Commander H. H. Boteler, Newchwang.
Constance, cruiser, 3rd-class, 2,380 tons, 2,590, h-p., 14 guns, Captain L. C. Keppel, en route to Hongkong.
Cordelia, cruiser, 3rd-class, 2,380 tons, 2,420 h-p., 10 guns, Captain H. H. Boys, en route to Hongkong.
Esk, gunboat, 3rd-class, Coast Defence, 363 tons, 340 h-p., 3 guns, Gunner W. Weeks, Hongkong, in reserve.
Espoir, gunboat, 2nd-class, 465 tons, 470 h-p., 4 guns, Lieutenant-Comdr. R. Y. Smith, Hongkong.
Firebrand, gunboat, 2nd-class, 455 tons, 460 horse-power, 4 guns, Lieut.-Commander J. Denison, Hongkong.
Heroine, cruiser, 3rd-class, 1,420 tons, 1,130 h-p., 8 guns, Captain Charles J. Balfour, en route to Hongkong.
Imperieuse, twin-screw cruiser, 8,400 tons, 10,000 horse-power, 10 guns, Captain Wm. H. May, Flag of Commander-in-Chief, Hongkong.
Leander, cruiser, 2nd-class, 3,750 tons, 5,500 h-p., 10 guns, Captain M. J. Dunlop, Hongkong.
Linnet, gun-vessel, 2nd-class, 756 tons, 1,050 h-p., 5 guns, Commander W. H. Marrack, Hongkong.
Merlin, gunboat, 2nd-class, 430 tons, 430 h-p., 4 guns, Lieut.-Comdr. W. H. Maturin, Canton.
Mutine, sloop, 1,130 tons, 1,120 h-p., 10 guns, Commander J. H. Martin, en route to Hongkong.
Porpoise, gunboat, 1st-class, 1,750, Captain R. W. White, Hongkong.
Rambler, surveying-vessel, 830 tons, 600 h-p., 3 guns, Commander W. A. Moore, Shanghai.
Rattler, gunboat, 1st-class, 670 tons, 1,200 h-p., 6 guns, Lieutenant-Commander W. H. M. Dougall, Hongkong.
Sapphire, cruiser, 3rd-class, 1,970 tons, 2,360 h-p., 12 guns, Captain W. C. Karslake, Hongkong.
Satellite, cruiser, 3rd-class, 1,420 tons, 1,400, h-p., 8 guns, Captain T. P. W. Nesham, en route to Hongkong.
Swift, gun-vessel, 2nd-class, 750 tons, 1,010 h-p., 5 guns, Commander R. Bingham, Hongkong.
Tweed, gunboat, Coast Defence, 3rd-class, 363 tons, 340 h-p., 3 guns, Boatswain J. M. Sness, Hongkong, in reserve.
Victor Emanuel, receiving ship, 5,157 tons, 20 guns, Commodore Maxwell, Hongkong.
Wivern, Coast Defence ship (armoured), 2,750 tons, 1,450 h-p., 4 guns, Gunner D. V. Hawkins, Hongkong, in reserve.
Wanderer, sloop, 925 tons, 750 h-p., 4 guns, Commander G. A. Giffard, Singapore.

STEAMERS EXPECTED IN HONGKONG.

STEAMERS.	FROM.	DATE DUE.	AGENTS.
Duke of Westminster	Vancouver	November 30th	Adamson, Bell & Co
Glenfruin	London	December 2nd	Jardine, Matheson & Co.
Arratoon Apcar	Calcutta	December 2nd	D. Sassoon, Sons & Co.
Arabic	San Francisco	December 3rd	O. & O. S. S. Co.
Venetia	Bombay	December 4th	P. & O. S. N. Co.
Anchises	Liverpool	December 5th	Butterfield & Swire.
Monmouthshire	New York	December 5th	Adamson, Bell & Co.
Berenice	Trieste	December 5th	Austro-Hung. Lloyd's Co.
Daphne	Hamburg	December 6th	Siemssen & Co.
Natal	Marseilles	December 6th	Messageries Maritimes.
Abyssinia	Vancouver	December 10th	Adamson, Bell & Co.

STEAMERS LOADING IN HONGKONG.

DESTINATION.	VESSELS.	AGENTS.	DATE OF LEAVING.
London, &c., via Suez Canal	Thames	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 5th, at noon.
London, via Suez Canal	Orestes	Butterfield & Swire	December 5th.
Marseilles, via Saigon, &c.	Anadyr	Messageries Maritimes.	Dec. 12th, at noon.
Bremen, & Ports of Call	Preussen	Melchers & Co.	Dec. 23rd, at 10 a.m.
Havre and Hamburg, &c.	Bellona	Siemssen & Co.	Dec. 6th, at 4 p.m.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	City of Peking	Pacific Mail S. S. Co.	Dec. 8th, at 3 p.m.
San Francisco, via Y'hama	Arabic	O. & O. S. S. Co.	Dec. 19th, at 3 p.m.
Vancouver, B.C., via K., &c.	Parthia	Adamson, Bell & Co.	Dec. 13th, at 3 p.m.
Sydney, Melbourne, &c.	Tannadice	Russell & Co.	Dec. 2nd, daylight.
Sydney and Melbourne	Pathan	Gibb, Livingston & Co.	About Dec. 5th.
Singapore	Deuteros	Ah Yon & Co.	Dec. 3rd, at 4 p.m.
Yokohama, via N'saki, &c.	Verona	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Dec. 9th, daylight.
Shanghai	Amoy	Siemssen & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Shanghai	Peshawur	P. & O. S. N. Co.	Quick despatch.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Ulysses	Butterfield & Swire	December 2nd.
Shanghai, via Amoy	Anchises	Butterfield & Swire	December 7th.
Manila, via Amoy	Zafiro	Russell & Co.	To-morrow, at 4 p.m.
Haiphong	Marie	A. R. Marty	To-morrow, daylight.
Coast Ports	Namoa	Douglas Lapraik & Co.	To-morrow, at noon.

Intimations.

J. LLEWELLYN & CO.

THE SHARE LIST WILL CLOSE on the 30th instant.

IT is proposed to form a LIMITED LIABILITY COMPANY, registered in Hongkong, to take over, as a going concern, from the 1st January, 1889, the old established business of

MESSRS. J. LLEWELLYN & Co.,
CHEMISTS, DRUGGISTS, AERATED WATER MANUFACTURERS, &c., &c., at Shanghai, and elsewhere in China.

The proposed Capital of the Company is Dollars One Hundred and Twenty Thousand ($120,000),
Divided into Twelve Hundred (1,200) shares of One Hundred Dollars (100) each,
Of which Five Hundred (500) shares are offered to the Public.

DIRECTORS:
E. O. ARBUTHNOT, Esq.
YEEND DUER, Esq.
ALEX. McLEOD, Esq.

General Manager—Mr. G. A. WATKINS.

Forms of Application for shares may be obtained at the MEDICAL HALL, Shanghai, or at the temporary Offices of the Company, 16, Bank Buildings, Hongkong; also at the HONGKONG AND SHANGHAI BANKING CORPORATION and the CHARTERED MERCANTILE BANK OF INDIA, London and China in Shanghai or Hongkong.

Applications for shares are to be accompanied by a deposit of Ten Dollars ($10) per share, the balance being payable on allotment.

If fewer shares are allotted than are applied for, the balance of the deposit will go towards the payment due on the allotment. If no shares are allotted the deposit will be returned in full.

Shanghai, 19th November, 1888. [1194

THE HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAMWAYS COMPANY, LIMITED.

TIME TABLE.

(to take effect from the 1st of November).

The CARS RUN as follows between ST. JOHN'S PLACE and VICTORIA GAP:—

WEEK DAYS,
8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.
12 to 2 P.M. „ half hour.
3 to 7 „ „ quarter of an hour.

THURSDAYS,
NIGHT TRAMS at 10.45 and 11 P.M.

SUNDAYS,
CHURCH TRAM at 10.40 A.M.
12½ to 3 P.M. every half hour.
3 to 7 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

Special Cars may be obtained on application.

Single Tickets are sold in the Cars: Five-Cent Coupons and Reduced Tickets at the Office of MACEWEN, FRICKEL & Co., General Managers,
VICTORIA EXCHANGE,
50 & 52, Queen's Road,
Hongkong, 31st October, 1888. [539

NOTICE.

TAKE NOTICE that Mr. CHAN CHAU TAM left my employment on the 31st day of August last and is now in no way connected with my Firm or Business, and all authority either to sell or purchase or for any other thing has been withdrawn from him and further I beg to inform the public that the labels on Fire-crackers manufactured or sold by me will bear my old Hong Name of MAEN SHING and without this name attached none will be genuine and any brands without the name "MAEN SHING" or with an additional character will be a fraud and any person found guilty of imitation will be prosecuted and punished according to Law.

Dated this 20th day of November, 1888.
1183 MAEN SHING.

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